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hospital could be prevented. I have the honor to state that I have incurred an expense of \$15 for nursing, and request authority to incur an additional expense of \$16 for two suits of clothes—one for the nurse and one for the patient.

Respectfully, yours,

W. P. McINTOSH,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Case of smallpox at Pensacola, Fla.

[Telegram.]

PENSACOLA, FLA., *April 24, 1898.*

Case of smallpox reported to board of health by city physician to-day. The victim is a negro from Greenville, Ala.

HARGIS,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Four cases of smallpox in Washington.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, D. C., April 22, 1898.

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that 4 new cases of smallpox in Freedmen's Hospital were reported to this office on the 18th instant, all of these patients having been occupants of the ward in which the first case appeared, and during its presence there.

Very respectfully,

WM. C. WOODWARD, M. D.,
Health Officer.

Smallpox in Little Rock, Ark., and vicinity.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., *April 20, 1898.*

SIR: I have the honor to report as follows concerning the smallpox in Pulaski County, Ark.:

There have been, since the present outbreak in the county, 42 cases of smallpox. Of this number, 25 cases were in the city of Little Rock, 5 in Argenta (North Little Rock), 3 in the county, five miles southwest of the city, and 9 in the detention camp near smallpox hospital. There are at present 30 cases in the smallpox hospital, 8 in the city, and 3 in the country, making a total of 41 cases under treatment to-day.

The disease so far has been confined entirely to negroes, and no deaths have occurred. After a most searching investigation the origin of the disease in this city has been ascertained. The circumstances are as follows: Early in January a negro man and his wife came to this city from Birmingham, Ala., and the wife was just recovering from smallpox. About the 22d of February the husband had the disease. A negro woman, living near, visited the house while the negro man was sick, and afterwards moved to another part of the city, where, about March 1, she had the disease. During the sickness of the last-mentioned woman she was visited by several men, among them being two who afterwards took smallpox, one of them in Argenta (North Little Rock), and the other in the southwest part of the city, where the first cases were discovered and reported to the board of health March 30. The cases in the country are at a store, where people have been congregating daily, and therefore numerous new cases may be expected in due time.

The disease seems to be of a mild type, and on that account there is

much aversion on the part of many negroes to vaccination. On account of the large number of exposures it is probable the disease will yet spread to a considerable extent.

I inclose a small map of Little Rock and Argenta, showing the location of the disease as reported to date.

Very respectfully,

L. P. GIBSON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Smallpox at Columbus, Tex.

COLUMBUS, TEX., April 22, 1898.

SIR: I am in receipt of your circular letter of 12th instant, "G. T. V.," asking for report on cases of smallpox at this place, etc. Inclosed find tabulated report of all cases (18 in number) under my care since my appointment, April 2, 1898. Hope same will be satisfactory to you.

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Respectfully, yours,

L. G. THORNTON, M. D.,
Health Officer.

Case of smallpox on Olivette en route from Habana.

PORT TAMPA, FLA., April 21, 1898.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report of my detail to Habana, Cuba:

The *Olivette* was chartered by the Spanish Government through her consular representative at Tampa. One hundred and fifty passengers were taken on board, and the *Olivette* left the Port Tampa dock at 2 o'clock Monday, April 18, 1898, arriving at Habana Tuesday, April 19. Our reception by the various officers of the port was most cordial. In company with our clerk, Mr. Espenosa, I visited the British consul, who is in charge of American affairs, and learned that there were no further instructions for me. I was informed that a large mass of mail matter had been received for the American consulate, but Mr. Gallon was unable to open the bags, as the keys were not left with him. I also learned that masters of vessels clearing for ports in the United States were being imposed upon by local physicians, who offered to furnish bills of health and passenger health certificates. The furniture and property in our office was safe, and had not been molested. We left Habana at 5 o'clock of the same day with 94 passengers; 35 had our slips of vaccination; the other 59 were given observation slips. About two hours before arrival at the quarantine station, I found one of the negro waiters convalescing from smallpox. This man, with other newly employed waiters, had been seasick, and had not come under my observation until that moment. Arriving at the quarantine station, I informed the officer in charge of the station, and advised the removal of all passengers and a general vaccination and thorough disinfection of the vessel. The officer in charge agreed, and every precaution was taken. The patient and all baggage were left at the quarantine station. The patient was shipped at Port Tampa, and stated that he was first taken sick about three weeks ago in Port Tampa City.

I have communicated with Dr. Altree, and we will together inspect the houses in that city.

Awaiting your further orders, I have the honor to remain,

Respectfully, yours,

D. E. DUDLEY,
Assistant Sanitary Inspector, U. S. M. H. S.